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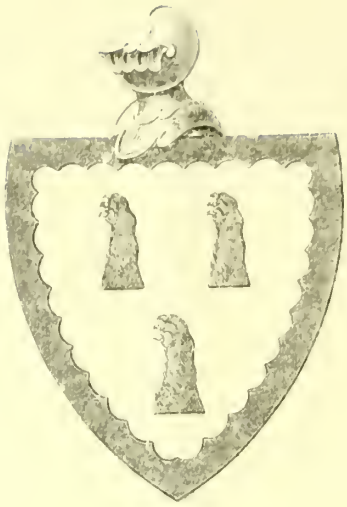

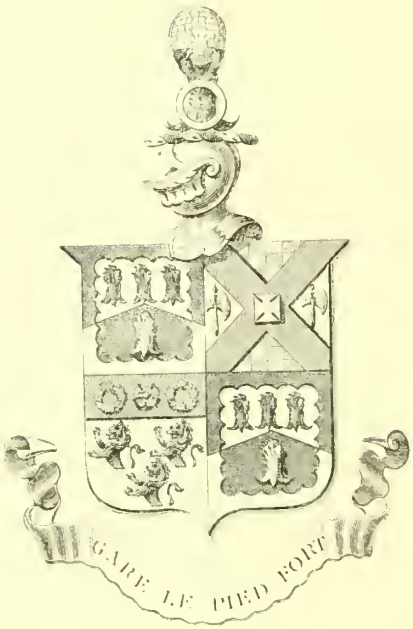

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Pedigree of Bedford.

There is preserved in the Town's Register at Hull a copy of a will of Gilbertus de Bedford, dated 1325, which gives some additional information respecting the earlier generations of the family, and from which and other records the following descent is proved :—

John de Bedford, living 1250—1303. By a deed dated in 1303, Gilbert, son of John de Bedford and Margaret his wife, grants to them a piece of land and two shops in the market place of Hull. (See Town's Records, BB 2, fol. 23.) = Margaret.

Gilbert de Bedford, who first filled the office of Coroner of Hull, and is named in a deed dated April 29, 1301, as "Gilberto de Bedford, tunc Coronator." He is mentioned as residing in Hull Street in the year 1320, and his will is dated on Wednesday next after the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1325. = Anne, executor with Peter de Tunstall to her husband's will. Her husband left her, with other bequests, his houses in Hull Street, and Munkgate.

- Henry de Bedford, son and heir, who inherited land and tenements at Appelby, Riseby, etc.
- John de Bedford, who inherited lands and tenements at Esongdene, etc. He was Bayliff of Hull in 1332, 1335-1338, and is mentioned as a considerable merchant and shipowner. This John de Bedford is the first-named in the preceding pedigree.
- Peter de Bedford, to whom his father left property in Lyle Street, Hull.
- Margaret, inherited land tenanted by Hugo de Frothingham.
- Elene, inherited land and property in Hull.

Whether or not Henry and Peter de Bedford were married and left issue, does not appear to be recorded, no mention of them being found except in their father's will.

The following extract is taken from 'Frost's Early History of Hull,' and relates to John de Bedford, son of Gilbert, as above stated :—

"A loaded vessel, belonging to John de Bedford, was arrested in 1316, at Selay in Norway, by Suaro Aslaa, a Norwegian, as an act of retribution, the same John de Bedford and other burgesses of Hull and Lenn (Lynn) having, three years previously, seized and detained Aslaa's ship called the 'Rauen,' with her cargo on board, valued at £300 sterling. A letter of remonstrance was written in consequence of this arrest, by King Edward II. to Haquin, King of Norway, who returned a very spirited answer. *Vide* Rymer's Fœdera, vol. v., fol. 571.)"

E. J. B.

Pedigree of the Bedfords of Hull, Dewsbury, Penistone, etc., co. York.[1]

Compiled by Edwin Jackson Bedford.

Ancient Armorial Bearings of Bedford.—*Argent, three lions' or bears' paws couped within a bordure engrailed sable.*
These arms were granted probably to one of the Bedfords of Hull previous to the establishment of the Heralds' College. They have frequently been borne by later generations of the family.

Arms of Bedford of Oughtibridge.—*Per chevron argent and sable, four bears' paws erased, three in chief and one in base, within a bordure engrailed, all counterchanged. Quartering,* 2. Grayson. 3. Hall.
Crest.—*In front of a bear's paw erased sable, holding a terrestrial globe proper, an annulet argent.*
Motto.—Gare le Pied Fort.
(Granted Nov. 19th, 1878, to John Bedford of Birley House and Oughtibridge, and his descendants.)

John de Bedford, Sheriff of Hull in 1332 and 1333. King Edward III. passed through Hull in 1332, when he created William de la Pole=. . . . a knight banneret and first Mayor of Hull, and made Stephen de Begholm and John de Bedford Sheriffs or "Bayliffs."

. . . . de Bedford of Hull.=. . . .

M P for Hull 1419 1420 1421

John Bedford, Mayor of Hull in 1412, 1414, 1420, 1428, 1435, and 1443. Alderman for White Fryers Ward. Possessed property in Hull, Beverley, etc. [*vide* Ex. Reg. Prop. Bev. l. 2, p. 78b.] Will dated Dec. 23, 1450. Proved at York, May 14, 1451. On the 18th March, 1414, the King wrote to him from Kenilworth, demanding assistance from him and the principal burgesses of Hull in procuring shipping and stores to aid him in his wars with France, Scotland, and other powers. This was unanimously granted by them. =Agnes, dau. of . . . . Will dated Sept. 14, 1459. Proved at York, Oct. 18, 1459.

Richard Bedford, eldest son, he inherited lands at Estcroft and Molescroft, near Beverley, at Supelwalde and Horkestowe, co. Lincoln; also property in Yule Street and Starle Lane in Kingston-upon-Hull. =. . . .

Nicholas Bedford, inherited property in Ball Street, Denton Lane, and Henkil Street, in Kingston-upon-Hull. =. . . .

John Bedford.

Hellen=. . . . Eare.

Elizabeth=John Dalton.

Elizabeth. Anne.

John Bedford, named in his grandfather's will.[2]

William Bedford of Womersley. Will dat. Aug. 10, 1637. Proved at York, May 27, 1639. =Ellen, dau. of . . . .

A

John Bedford of Dewsbury, living 1480-1527. =Johanna, dau. of . . . . Administration granted to her and to Robert Bedford her son, Sept. 12, 1527.

Robert Bedford of Dewsbury, son and heir. Bur. at Dewsbury, Sept. 16, 1582. =. . . . Bur. at Dewsbury, Feb. 5, 1579.

B

Elizabeth.

Marion.

Johanna.

Alice.

John Bedford of Emley. Will dated July 1, 1571. Proved at York, Oct. . . 1571. Died s.p. Leaves 12d. to every householder in Emley parish.

William Bedford of Hemsworth. Will dated May 10, 1574. Proved at York, April 20, 1575. Leaves land at Hemsworth to Richard Heaton, his servant. Died s.p.

A

William Bedford, son and heir. Executor by his father's will. = ...

Henry Bedford, to whom his father left the sum of 20s.

B

Robert Bedford of Dewsbury, had property there. *Vide* Court Rolls. Buried at Dewsbury Jan. 20, 1627. Was churchwarden in 1571, when he was styled Robert Bedford, Junr. See Church Register. (H.C.) = ... Buried at Dewsbury Oct. 26, 1597.

William Bedford, lord of the manor of Cridlingstubs, leaves land there and at Norton to Mary his wife, and William Savile, gent., on trust for his wife and children. Will dated Nov. 13, 1689.(3) = Mary, dau. of . . . . Administration granted to her March 1, 1693. Dead before Jan. 22, 1701, when administration was granted to Ann Hutton, in trust for her children, being minors.

Joshua, eldest son. William, 2nd son. Thomas. Ann.

[All under age in 1701.]

John Bedford of Crownest, in Dewsbury, son and heir, born before July 1, 1571, being named in the will of John Bedford of Emley, of that date, as "my godson, John Bedford, son of Robert Bedford of Dewsburie." Bur. at Dewsbury, Feb. 1636. Will dated Feb. 13, 1636. Proved at York Aug. 26, 1637. Leaves to Alice, his wife, Crownest and other property in Dewsbury, and £50 to Sir John Savile of Lupsett, Knt., in trust for his younger son John. (H.C.) (4) = Alice, dau. and sole heiress of Robert Savile of Snydale, son of Thomas Savile of Stanley Hall, near Wakefield. Marr. at Dewsbury Nov. 22, 1603.(5) = 2nd husb. Robert Nettleton. Marr. at Dewsbury April . . . 1637.

Edward Bedford, bap. at Dewsbury June 16, 1577. Bur. there Feb. 6, 1614. Died s. p. = Jennet, dau. of . . . . Forrest. Marr. at Dewsbury April 25, 1614. = 2nd husb. Michael Speight. Marr. at Dewsbury Feb. 9, 1623.

Grace, bap. at Dewsbury, Feb. 26, 1565.

Robert Bedford, son and heir, bap. at Dewsbury Dec. 11, 1605. Buried there January 21, 1659. See Dewsbury Rectorial Manor Court Rolls, etc. (H.C.) = Ann, dau. of . . . . Bur. at Dewsbury Dec. . . 1651.

John Bedford, bap. at Dewsbury April 23, 1609, most probably identical with John Bedford, living at Smythey Brook, near Dewsbury, 1642-1658.(6) (H.C.) = ? Elizabeth dau. of . . . Leatham. Married at Thornhill Nov. 9, 1641.

John Bedford, bap. at Dewsbury Nov. 16, 1630. = ...

C

Robert Bedford of Crownest, bapt. at Dewsbury Dec. 28, 1631. Dead before April 20, 1661. *Vide* Court Rolls. (H.C.) = Isabel, dau. of [? William] Riche of Bull House, par. of Penistone. Mar. at Dewsbury Jan. 9, 1653.

D

Edward Bedford, bap. at Dewsbury, Sept. 1650.

Elizabeth, bap. Sept. . . 1636.

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Mary, bap. May . . 1634.

Mary, bap. at Thornhill Sept. 18, 1642.

Robert Bedford of Smythey Brook, bap. at Thornhill, March 1, 1652. Marr. at Dewsbury, January 2, 1681. Bur. at Thornhill, June 19, 1686. (H.C.) = Martha, dau. of . . . Fowleson of Dewsbury. Bur. at Thornhill, Mar. 11, 1699.

E

John, bap. at Thornhill, Feb. 24, 1655. Buried there Feb. 25, 1658.

C

D

Thomas Bedford of Crownest, Died unmar. in 1748, aged 80. Bur. at Dewsbury. Will dat. Nov. 15, 1743. He sold Crownest. Left £500 to found a charity school at Dewsbury.(7) (H.C.)

Robert Bedford of Crownest. Died in 1712.(8) (H.C.) = Ann, dau. of . . . . Calverley of Leeds. = 2nd husb. Robert Wynne.

John Bedford of Thornhill = Mary, dau. of . . . Briggs. A Major in the army. He and Sir George Armytage, Bart., jointly gave £200 to the chapel of Rastrick. Ob. s. p.(9) (H.C.) Will dat. Dec. 13, 1735. Left £200 to the Charity School at Dewsbury.(7)

E

Robert Bedford of Smytney Brook, born circa 1682. Living there 1702-1708. (H.C.) = ...

John, died young.

Mary, bap. at Thornhill, Jan. 18, 1684.

Robert, bap. at Dewsbury, Nov. 1653.
—
John, bap. at Dewsbury, Feb. 4, 1655.

Elizabeth, bap. at Dewsbury, Jan. 20, 1660. Bur. there Aug. 2, 1662.

Thomas, bap. at Dewsbury, Oct. 29, 1663.

Sarah, bap. at Dewsbury, April 6, 1670.
—
Mary, bap. at Dewsbury, June 1, 1676.

Sarah, dau. of . . . . Squires of Leeds. 1st wife. = John Bedford of Leeds, merchant. (H.C.) = Anne, dau. of . . . . 2nd wife.

Anne. (H.C.)

Mary. (H.C.)

Elizabeth. (H.C.) = ... Wrigglesworth of Winlayton, co. Durham.

Robert Bedford, died at Madras, unmarried. (H.C.)

John Bedford of Huntingdon. Married at All Saints' Church, Huntingdon, Aug. 9, 1768. (H.C.) = Elizabeth, dau. and sole heiress of Walter Thong of Huntingdon, by Eliz. dau. of John Ferrar of Huntingdon, Alderman.

Elizabeth. (H.C.) = Thomas Glover.
—
Sarah. (H.C.) = William Turner.

Ann, bap. at Thornhill, Jan. 3, 1702.

John Bedford, bap. at Thornhill, June 21, 1704. Living afterwards at Ponds in par. of Penistone, where he died May 7, 1791, aged 87. Bur. at Peniston. See M.I. there. (H.C.) = Mary, dau. of John Pashley of Oxspring Lodge, par. of Penistone, son of John Pashley, son of Thomas Pashley, all of Oxspring Lodge. Bap. at Penistone Dec. 20, 1715. Died Jan. 1, 1800. Buried at Penistone. See M.I.

David, bap. at Thornhill, Nov. 3, 1708.

John Bedford of Ponds, bap. at Penistone, Oct. 29, 1747. Marr. Dec. 14, 1774. Died Oct. 23, 1809. Bur. at Penistone. See M.I. (H.C.) = Martha, dau. of Abraham Crossley of Handbank, par. of Penistone. Died Dec. 6, 1834. Buried at Penistone.

Mary, o. s.p. = John Robinson of Wakefield.

Frances.

William Bedford of Threadneedle Street, London, Insurance Broker, bap. at Penistone, June 23, 1778. Died in London c. 1849. (H.C.) = ... dau. of . . . . of London.

Hannah. Eliza. Mary Ann. Clara. Julia. [All unmarried.]

Joseph Bedford of Oxspring and Penistone, b. at Ponds, Jan. 24, 1782. Died Jan. 31, 1845. Bur. at Penistone. (H.C.) = Dorothy, dau. of Thomas Wain of Birchen Lee, co. Derby, b. April 12, 1770. Died Sept. 30, 1840. Bur. at Penistone.

Mary, born June 16, 1784. Died March 17, 1813, unmarried.

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F

F

G

- Mary, born Nov. . . 1800. = John Parkin, of Middlewood, nr Sheffield, died s.p.
- Ann, born . . . 1802. Died . . . 1874. = John Senior Crossley of Water Hall, Penistone.
- Martha, born . . . 1804. Died Oct. 24, 1839. No issue living. = George Brown, timber mercht, Bankside, London.
- John Bedford of Penistone, born March 10, 1806. D. May 10, 1873. Bu. at Penistone. = Mary, dau. of Joseph Swift of Hoyland-swaine, b. March . . 1807. D. Apr. 3, 1853. Bur. at Penistone.
  - Charles Henry, eldest son, born Aug. 8, 1831. Died Oct. 25, 1876, unmarried.
  - John, now of New York, U.S., born Jan. 22, 1835. = Mary, dau. of Thomas Davies of Manchester.
    - Charles Henry, died young.
    - John Richard.
  - Joseph.
  - Benjamin Swift.
  - Walter.
  - Mary.
- Jane, born . . . 1808. D. . . 1871. Buried at Penistone. = James Mitchell of Penistone.

- John Bedford of Ponds and Oughtibridge, bap. at Penistone, Dec. 4, 1786. Mar. May 26, 1814. Died Jan. 18, 1839. Bur. at Bradfield. He sold "The Ponds." (H.C.) = Ann, dau. and heiress of George Grayson of Oughtibridge, by Martha, his wife, dau. and heiress of Joseph Hall of Oughtibridge. Born Nov. 10, 1787. Died Dec. 2, 1860. Bur. at Bradfield.([10])
  - Dorothy, born . . . 1810. = ... Marsh of Penistone.
  - Joseph Bedford of Penistone, born Dec. 22, 1813. Mar. at Petworth, Oct. 2, 1839. Died Oct. 14, 1848. Buried at Penistone. = Harriet Elliot, dau. and eventual coheir of George Jackson of Petworth, eldest son of Rev. James Jackson, Vicar of Farnham. Born Jan. 25, 1813.
    - Edwin Jackson Bedford, born at Water Hall, Penistone, June 21, 1840. Marr. at St. Mary's, Stoke Newington, Oct. 5, 1876. = Eliza Mary, dau. and coheiress of Charles Ledger of Stoke Newington, born Sept. 23, 1847.
      - Eleanor Gundreda, born Oct. 1, 1877.
      - Adela Maud, born Nov. 23, 1878.
  - John Bedford of Birley House & Oughtibridge, merchant, born May 26, 1815. Marr. at Ecclesfield, Nov. 1844. (H.C.) = Harriet, dau. and coheir of George Hawksley of Owlerton, born Nov. 14, 1821.
    - John George Hawksley, born Sept. 25, 1845.
    - Henry Hall, born April 17, 1847. Marr. at Filey, Feb. 20, 1879. = Lucy, dau. and coheiress of Joseph Danby of Hibaldstow, co. Lincoln, born Mar. 31, 1855.
    - William James, born June 8, 1849.
    - Anne, born Dec. 2, 1856.
  - Mary, born Oct. . 1816. Died May 5, 1844. Unmarried.
  - Sarah, born . . . 1820. Died Oct. 4, 1851. Unmarried.
- Thomas Bedford of Liverpool, West India merchant, bap. at Penistone, Aug. 22, 1793. Died at sea, Aug. 28, 1825. Unmarried. (H.C.)

NOTES.

(1) The above pedigree has been carefully compiled from wills, court rolls, records in the College of Arms, parish registers, family documents, and local histories. Where the letters H.C. are affixed, they denote that the names of those persons are entered at the Heralds' College, though all the information here given may not be found there.

(2) There appears to be no further record of the Bedfords of Hull. Whether one of the family settled in Dewsbury or not, we have no proof. If. as is surmised, this was the case, the first John Bedford recorded as living at Dewsbury between 1480-1527 might have been the son of John Bedford of Hull, here named. The perpetuation of the name John suggests a relationship.

(3) The following is extracted from the will of William Bedford of Cridlingstubs, in com. Ebor.. gent. :—" My manor and lordship of Cridlingstubs and my land at Norton to Mary Bedford, my wife, and William Savile, gent. on trust that my wife have one-third as her portion for life, the rest to my children," viz., Joshua, his eldest son, and William, his second son. He also leaves "to my younger children Thomas Bedford and Ann Bedford, each £150, to be raised out of the property above on their attaining twenty-one years of age." The seal affixed to the signature of William Bedford bears for a crest "an owl," probably the seal of William Savile, named in the will.

(4) The following are extracts from the will of John Bedford the elder, of Crownest, in the par. of Dewsbury, in com. Ebor., yeoman :—" To Alice Bedford, my wife, my house at Crownest, and a house at Dewsbury, wherein Samuel Pearson, minister, now dwelleth." "To Robert Bedford and John Bedford, my grandchildren, those two iron ranges standing in the hall and kitchen at Crownest, provided Alice my wife shall have them for her life. To Robert Bedford my son all the glasse and wainscott about Crownest and one corslett with the pike hereto belonging." "Fifty pounds to be payd to Sir John Savile, of Lupsett, knight, in truste for the use and maintenance of John Bedford, my younger son." Leaves Alice Bedford, his wife, ex'trix.

(5) Thomas Savile was great-great-grandson of Henry Savile of Thornhill and his wife Elizabeth, dau. and heiress of Sir Simon Thornhill of Thornhill, whose mother Joan was dau. of John Fitzwilliam of Emley, descended from Sir William Fitzwilliam of Emley, and his wife Ella, dau. of William, Earl of Warren and Surrey, great-grandson of William the Conqueror.

(6) There is much evidence in favour of this identity, though legal proof is as yet wanting. We find no record of John Bedford in Dewsbury after his father's death in 1636, and the first of the Bedfords of Smythey Brook, mentioned in the Thornhill Registers, bears this name. Sir John Savile, being left his trustee, it seems very probable he would place him in some farm on his estate, Smythey Brook, which is about two and half miles from Dewsbury, being then the property of the Saviles, as it is at the present time. We also find his nephew, Robert Bedford of Crownest, married one of the Riches of Bull House, in par. of Penistone, and Robert, grandson of John, of Smythey Brook, places his son John in the "Ponds Farm," near Penistone, previously in the possession of Josias Rich, a descendant of the Bull House family. This would suggest a family connection, and account for the settlement of John Bedford, last named, in the bleak district of "the Ponds." It is also worthy of notice that the family names of John and Robert were still retained almost exclusively for several generations, the name of John being still common in the family.

(7) For a complete account of these charities, see Greenwood's 'History of Dewsbury.' They were for building a schoolhouse and educating fifty poor children.

(8) A deed signed by Robert Bedford, dated April 23, 1702, and in the possession of the compiler of this pedigree, gives full particulars of the property comprised in the Crownest estate.

(9) The communion plate in the Parish Church at Dewsbury was presented by John Bedford of Thornhill Briggs. He probably died about 1730, when his elder brother Thomas became the last of the family living at Dewsbury.

(10) There is a pedigree of the family of Hall of Oughtibridge recorded in the Heralds' College, commencing in the sixteenth century.

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